REMARKS:

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The Applicants hereby elect Group 1 and Claims 1-31 (which are directed to a single species), which are further directed to a system that comprises a set of metamodel elements, which receive an indication that enterprises wish to negotiate, provides access to the set, receive selections of meta-model elements to incorporate into a negotiated metamodel, and facilitate negotiation of selected meta-model elements with traverse, in accordance with the applicable Rules of Practice and to advance the prosecution of the subject Application.

In addition, the Applicants respectfully submit that the Restriction Requirement is improper. Accordingly, in traverse, Applicants request withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement. Because the Applicants have elected an alleged Group and set forth the claims directed to that Group, as set forth by the Examiner, this response is complete. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned, Steven J. Laureanti, at (817) 447-9955 with any questions, comments, or suggestions relating to the subject Application.

CONCLUSION:

In view of the foregoing election with traverse and remarks, this application is considered to be in condition for allowance, and early reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Although the Applicants believe no fees are deemed to be necessary; the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 500777**.

Please link this application to Customer No. 53184 so that its status may be checked via the PAIR System.

Respectfully submitted,

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